



Please use separate attachments for any answers that don't fit on the form, especially for questions 3-8. If the answer to a question is "NONE", please write "NONE" rather than leaving the answer blank.

3. Earliest dates and model names of all Applied products incorporating the invention which have been offered for sale or are expected to be offered for sale:

Invention is potentially applicable to all Producer Platforms equipped with any PECVD, LOW-K or SACVD type deposition process chambers. The earliest expected "offer for sale date" could be as early as <0475>. Of lesser importance the invention is also potentially applicable to any Centura Platform equipped with any DxZ type PECVD or SACVD process chamber.

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4. If the invention has been demonstrated or described to persons other than Applied employees, for each disclosure please provide the earliest date, name of company, a brief description of what was disclosed and the purpose of the disclosure. Attach a copy of any related non-disclosure agreements:

5. If future disclosures like those in Question #4 are expected to occur within the next 12 months, please provide the anticipated date, type of information to be disclosed, and purpose of the disclosure:  
NONE [ ]

None that we know of.

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6. Describe any other known designs or processes, whether actually implemented or merely proposed in a publication, which could be considered similar to your invention or which constitute the state-of-the-art improved upon by your invention; If described in a publication, attach a copy of same or provide a citation.

None that we know of.

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7. List each feature of the invention which you consider novel and non-obvious. Describe the advantages of each novel feature in comparison with the state-of-the-art approaches which are most similar to your invention:

- (1) A wafer pocket whose inside diameter is designed such that it is as proximate as possible to the wafer edge.
  - (2) A wafer pocket lip profile that is at least 1/2 wafer thickness in height perpendicular to the wafer pocket tapering outward and upward at an angle steep enough and high enough to ensure wafer capture upon transfer.
  - (3) A wafer pocket described in 7(1) and 7(2) that outside of the wafer capture area, tapers down to the level of the plane of the wafer pocket.
  - (4) A wafer pocket described in 7(1), 7(2) and 7(3) that separates the functionality of wafer bevel edge deposition reduction using a continuous geometry completely around the wafer and the functionality of wafer capture using discreet tapered crowns or other suitable features arrayed around the wafer.
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8. Describe the invention, preferably with reference to attached drawings:

The invention is either a heater or an edge ring sitting on a heater that embodies the features described in section 7. Sheet 6 depicts the edge rings Rev E9 through E12 having embodiments described in 7(1) and 7(2). Rev E35 edge ring depicted on Shts 6 and 7 is a test bed edge ring having the embodiments described in sections 7(1) through 7(4).

Sheet 8 depicts a tight pocket heater containing embodiments described in sec 7(1) and 7(4). Based upon the film uniformity trends documented on Sheet 5, and pending test results of the Rev E35 edge Ring, it is believed that this heater would reduce bevel edge deposition and deliver acceptable film uniformities. Sheet 9 is a graphical depiction of wafer bevel edge deposition on a standard heater. Sheet 10 shows reduced bevel edge deposition using the E11 and E12 edge rings.

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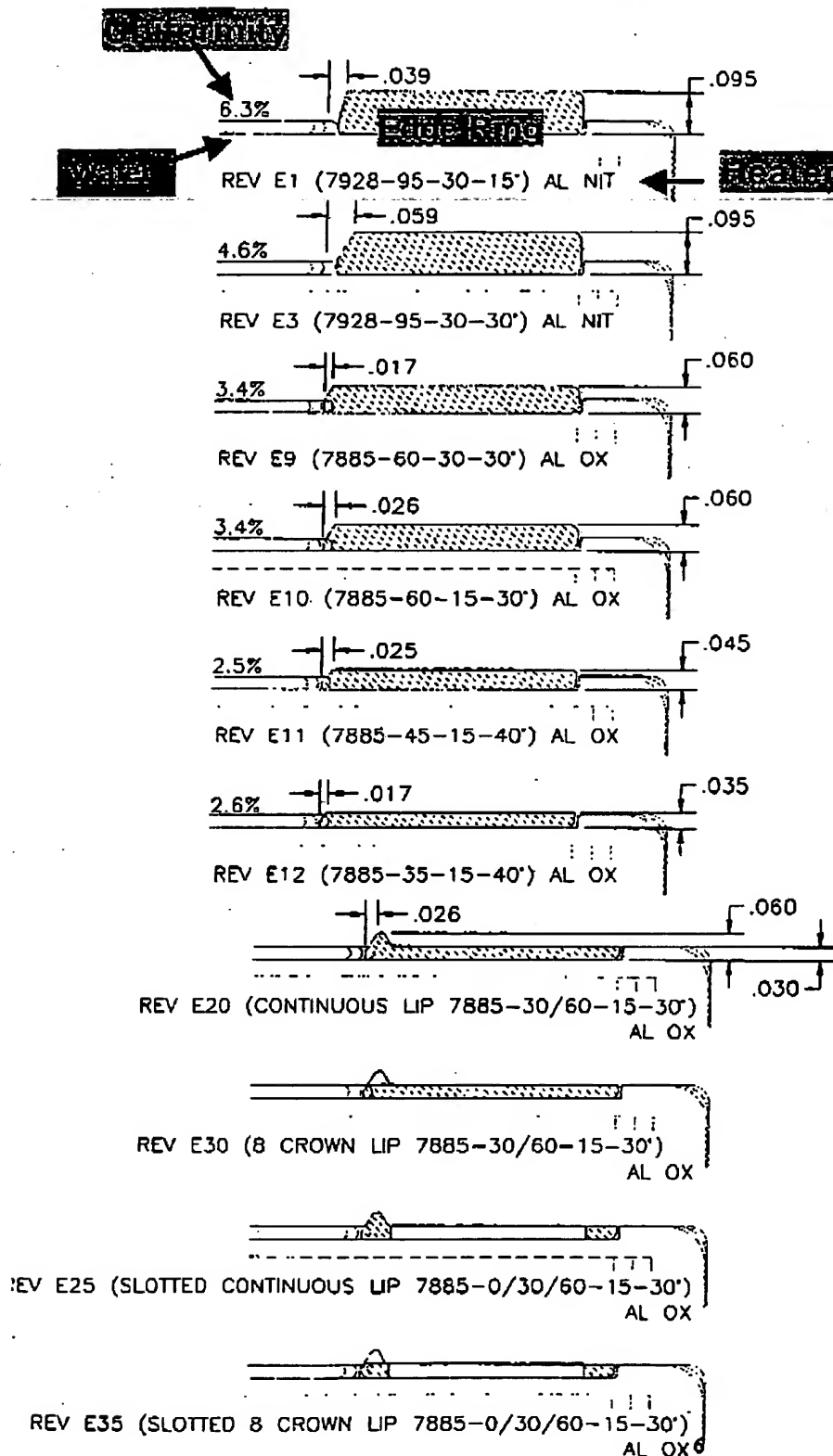
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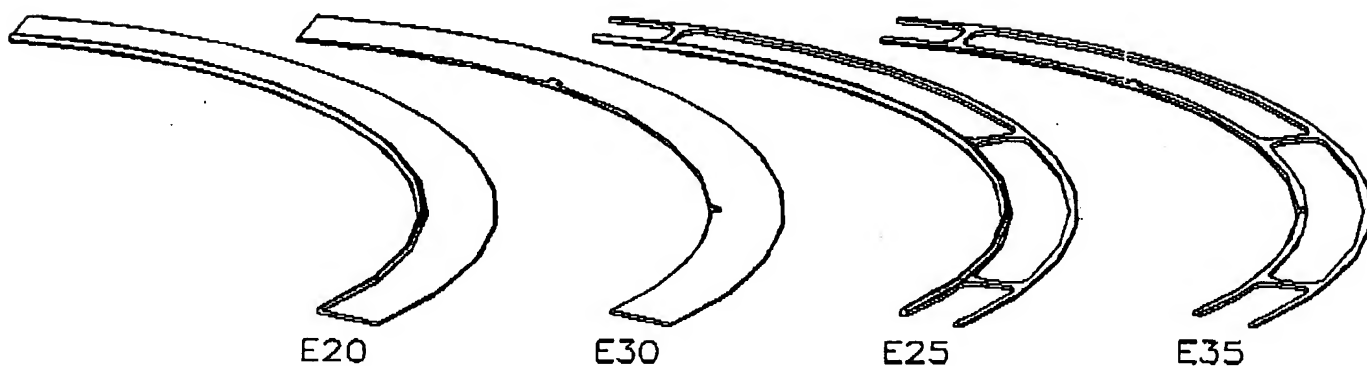
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**Different forms of Edge Rings :**

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**Different form of edge Rings ( Isometric Views):**



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**Tight Pocket Heater for Bevel Edge Deposition Reduction and Optimum  
film deposition thickness uniformity.**



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